

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the specification, please make the following amendments:

On page 1, after the title, insert the following:

--Cross Reference to Related Applications

This application claims priority of French Application No. 01 02688 filed February 27, 2001, which is included in its entirety by reference made hereto.--

On page 1, after the "Cross Reference..." paragraph, please insert the following:

--Background of the Invention

Field of the Invention--.

On page 1, at line 10, please insert:

--Description of Related Art—

On page 4, at line 30, please insert:

--Brief Summary of the Invention--

On page 6, after line 25 please insert:

--Detailed Description of the Invention--

On page 11, after line 11, please insert the following section:

--Brief Description of the Drawings

FIG. 1 is a graph showing % water regain and number of days relating to hygroscopicity at 66% RH-20°C of uncoated boiled sweets; and

FIG. 2 is a graph showing % water regain and number of days relating to hygroscopicity at 75% RH-30°C of uncoated boiled sweets.--